

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DETERMINING AND MAINTAINING DIALOG

FOCUS IN A CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5           A system and method of the present invention for  
determining and maintaining dialog focus in a conversational  
speech system includes presenting a command associated with  
an application to a dialog manager. The application  
associated with the command is unknown to the dialog manager  
10 at the time it is made. The dialog manager determines a  
current context of the command by reviewing a multi-modal  
history of events. At least one method is determined  
responsive to the command based on the current context. The  
at least one method is executed responsive to the command  
15 associated with the application.